



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

February 6, 2001

Applicant: Hiroaki KITAMOTO
For: CAPPING METHOD AND APPARATUS
Serial No.: Unknown Group: Unknown
Filed: Unknown Examiner: Unknown
International Application No.: N/A
International Filing Date: N/A
Atty. Docket No.: Kanzaki Case 161

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

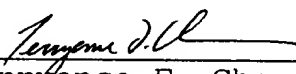
Sir:

In compliance with the provisions of Rules 1.97(b)(1) and 1.98, enclosed herewith is Form PTO-1449 and the references cited thereon. These references are mentioned in Applicant's specification. Further comment at this point in time should not be necessary.

Further consideration is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

TFC/smd


Terryence F. Chapman

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL	Dale H. Thiel	Reg. No. 24 323
& TANIS, P.C.	David G. Boutell	Reg. No. 25 072
2026 Rambling Road	Ronald J. Tanis	Reg. No. 22 724
Kalamazoo, MI 49008-1699	Terryence F. Chapman	Reg. No. 32 549
Phone: (616) 381-1156	Mark L. Maki	Reg. No. 36 589
Fax: (616) 381-5465	David S. Goldenberg	Reg. No. 31 257
	Sidney B. Williams, Jr.	Reg. No. 24 949
	Liane L. Churney	Reg. No. 40 694
	Brian R. Tumm	Reg. No. 36 328

Encl: Form PTO-1449 and one copy of each reference
listed thereon
Postal Card

136.9803